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FOLLOWING REPEAT USUN 3372 ACTION SECSTATE 24 SEPT

QUOTE

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1. SECY KISSINGER DELIVERED US GENERAL DEBATE ADDRESS TO PACKED GA HALL. AS ANTICIPATED, INTEREST IN DR. KISSINGER'S MAIDEN SPEECH AS SECRETARY ATTRACTED MAXIMUM ATTENTION. EVEN CORRIDORS PACKED WITH LISTENERS. GA DELEGATION TURNOUT ALSO HIGH WITH WHAT IMPRESSED US AS UNUSUALLY HIGH PROPORTION OF DELEGATION HEADS IN THEIR SEATS. EVEN HOSTILE DELEGATIONS (SUCH AS SOUTHERN YEMEN, ALBANIA AND CUBA) FILLED THEIR SEATS, ALTHOUGH CUBA PERMREP ALARCON WAS PERSONALLY ABSENT.

2. INITIAL REACTIONS EXPRESSED TO US DELEGATION WERE UNANIMOUSLY WARM AND CONGRATULATORY. ARAB CONTINGENT, SHOWED RESTRAINT ALTHOUGH IRAN PERMREP TELLS US HE HAS HEARD ARAB EXPRESSIONS OF DISAPPOINTMENT THAT SPEECH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NOT "MORE POSITIVE" FROM THEIR POINT OF VIEW.

3. OVINNIKOV (SOVIET UNION) SAND HE ENCOURAGED BY REFERENCE TO PEACEKEEPING AND WOULD NOW BE WAITING TO SEE CONCRETE PROPOSAL FROM US.HE WAS TOLD IN REPLY THAT IT MIGHT NOW LOGICALLY BE SOVIET TURN TO TAKE STEP TOWARD MIDDLE GROUND.

4. USUN WILL REPORT FURTHER REACTION IN DUE COURSE. WE EXPECT, OF COURSE, THAT CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF TEXT BY OTHER DELEGATIONS WILL BE REFLECTED TO MEDIA MORE RAPIDLY THAN TO US. SCALI UNQTE RUSH

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